

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A portable terminal comprising:
a display unit for displaying a screen;
an operation member for being operated by a user;
a first light for lighting up the display unit;
a second light for lighting up the operation member;
a light sensor for detecting external brightness;

and

a light control unit for turning on the first light,
as well as turning on the second light according to
external brightness detected by the light sensor, in
response to occurrence of a predetermined first event.

2. The portable terminal according to claim 1 further
comprising, instead of the light control unit, a light
control unit for turning on the first light according
to external brightness detected by the light sensor as
well as turning on the second light according to external
brightness detected by the light sensor in response to
occurrence of a predetermined first event.

3. The portable terminal according to claim 1
wherein the light control unit turns on the first light
with brightness according to external brightness detected
by the light sensor.

4. The portable terminal according to claim 2 wherein the light control unit turns on the first light with brightness according to external brightness detected by the light sensor.

5. The portable terminal according to claim 1 comprising:

a light emitter for indicating occurrence of a predetermined second event by lighting up or winking;

wherein the light sensor and the light emitter are arranged in proximity to each other; and

a window having a light transmitting member which covers and is used for both the light sensor and the light emitter.

6. The portable terminal according to claim 2 comprising:

a light emitter for indicating occurrence of a predetermined second event by lighting up or winking;

wherein the light sensor and the light emitter are arranged in proximity to each other; and

a window having a light transmitting member which covers and is used for both the light sensor and the light emitter.

7. The portable terminal according to claim 1 wherein the light control unit accepts operation of the operation member as the first event.

8. The portable terminal according to claim 2 wherein the light control unit accepts operation of the operation member as the first event.

9. The portable terminal according to claim 1 wherein the light emitter accepts an arrival of a call as the second event.

10. The portable terminal according to claim 2 wherein the light emitter accepts an arrival of a call as the second event.